

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1820**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Mullin**

February 18, 2014

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An act to amend Section 18934 of the Government Code, relating to state employment.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1820, as introduced, Mullin. State employment: applications.

Existing law requires every applicant for examination for state employment to file an application with the Department of Human Resources or an appointing power designated by the department.

This bill would require the department or the designated appointing power, whenever it receives an application for examination that was filed online, to provide the e-mail address of the department or the designated appointing power to the applicant, to contact the applicant using e-mail instead of postal mail, unless the applicant specifically requests otherwise, and to inform the applicant that he or she be provided with employment inquiry notifications and his or score and rank on the examination using e-mail, unless the applicant specifically requests to be notified using postal mail.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

1     SECTION 1. Section 18934 of the Government Code is  
2     amended to read:

1 18934. (a) (1) Every applicant for examination shall file an  
2 application with the department or a designated appointing power  
3 as directed in the examination announcement. Applications shall  
4 be accepted free of any charge to the applicant. ~~Such applications~~  
5 *Applications*, when filed and all other examination materials,  
6 including examination questions and any written material, are the  
7 property of the department and are confidential records not open  
8 to inspection except as provided by law.

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10 (2) *The* application shall include a place for listing volunteer  
11 experience and ~~such~~ *that* experience shall be considered if it is  
12 relevant to the position being applied for and shall state that  
13 relevant volunteer experience will be given consideration as  
14 qualifying experience for state employment.

15 (b) *Whenever the department or a designated appointing power*  
16 *receives an application for examination that was filed online, the*  
17 *department, or the designated appointing power, shall do all of*  
18 *the following:*

19 (1) *Provide the e-mail address of the department or the e-mail*  
20 *address of the designated appointing power to the applicant.*

21 (2) *Contact the applicant using e-mail instead of postal mail,*  
22 *unless the applicant specifically requests otherwise.*

23 (3) *Inform the applicant that he or she will be provided with*  
24 *employment inquiry notifications and his or her score and rank*  
25 *on the examination using e-mail, unless the applicant specifically*  
26 *requests to be notified using postal mail.*